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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/688,268
Filed: October 17, 2003
Entitled: ADJUSTABLE SLIP COVERS FOR SOFAS
RE: Attached Form PTO/SB/01

Dear Commissioner:

I am the First Inventor on the above listed patent application, and am submitting my Declaration for this patent on the attached form: PTO/SB/01, downloaded from your website at the recommendation of the Inventors Assistance Center. I am a joint owner of the patent application.

I was contacted on June 4, 2004 by Dechert LLP who represents my former employer, Sure Fit Inc. The letter requested me to sign a form including a Declaration and a Power of Attorney with a 3 week deadline of June 26, 2004. This was the first time that I had been informed that a patent application had actually been filed and that the Patent Office had requested my Declaration, as neither Dechert nor Sure Fit had previously informed me about it.

After receiving the Dechert letter on June 4, I wrote Dechert that I was not refusing to sign the Declaration, and that I needed more information and asked Dechert to send me copies of the correspondence on the patent, but Dechert sent me nothing. Then, I contacted the Inventors Assistance Center and they told me that the Patent Office letter to Dechert requesting the Declaration was issued on January 26, 2004. Dechert and Sure Fit waited 8 months to inform me of the filing of the application and delayed their communication to me on the Declaration for almost 5 months. Meanwhile, Sure Fit Inc. has produced and has been selling this invention on the cover of their Spring/Summer catalog and website as "a Sure Fit Exclusive". I am greatly concerned that Dechert is not acting in my best interest, and therefore, I am submitting this Declaration on my own behalf.

Please advise if further information is needed.

Thank you.

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